

# Human Factors of Sailing

**Speaker:** Mark Van Selst

**Time:** 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
**Thursday, September 8th**

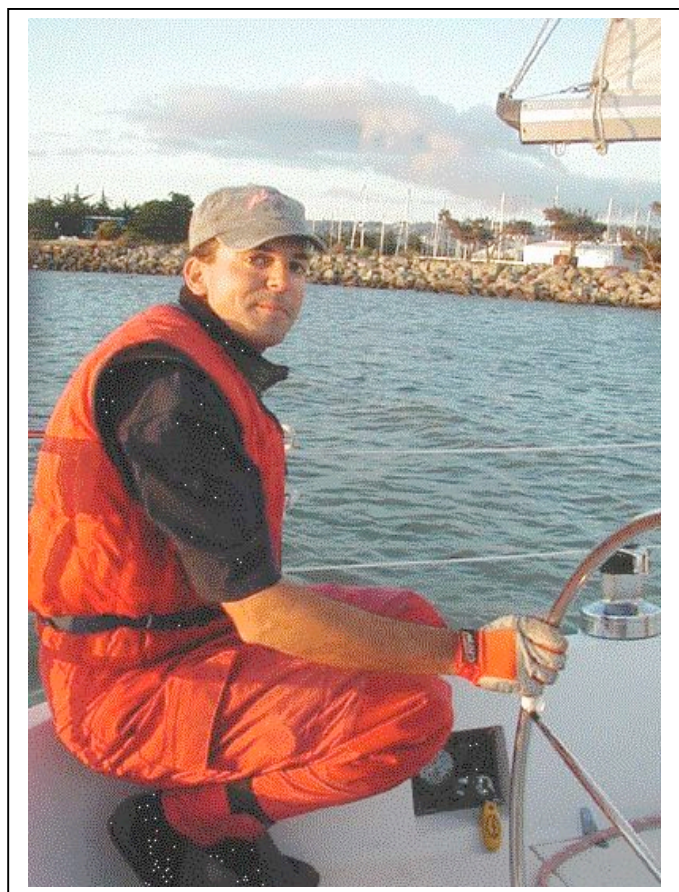
**Location:** Building 262, Room 100



**Description:** This presentation will provide a good preview of expectations and comments on various aspects of big boat communication failures, good and bad experiences with various aspects of crew management, and pre-race boat preparation and layout.

## Speaker Background:

Mark started sailing IOR boats in high school. Since moving to the Bay Area, Mark returned to high level racing and lived aboard his boat in Berkeley for seven years. Despite being landlocked, he continues to race frequently with the Grand Prix Sailing Academy (GPSA) on 1d35s out of San Francisco. He also races with various Berkeley YC race crews, including IOR 1 tonners, Farr 38s, and the ubiquitous J/105s. His most recent sailing trip was the Waikiki Offshore (2005). Mark received his Ph.D. in Waterloo in 1995 in Cognitive Psychology and is currently a professor of psychology at San Jose State University.



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